

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (in order with strikethrough and underline):

1. (cancelled).
2. (currently amended) ~~A trigger as claimed in claim 1~~
A trigger for mounting in a trigger frame, the trigger comprising:
a body portion with a back;
a pivot connection on the body portion for connecting the trigger to the trigger frame so
that the trigger is pivotable about the pivot connection in the trigger frame;
a lever extending from the body portion for contact by a user to move the trigger
rotatably about the pivot connection;
an engagement portion extending from the back of the body portion, the engagement
portion associated with the body portion for engaging a firing mechanism to initiate discharge;
a rod connection associated with the body portion for connecting the trigger to a rod to
initiate cocking;

wherein the body portion comprises a central portion, the central portion having the pivot connection located thereon, a head portion, the head portion having the rod connection located thereon, and a sliding engagement ramp on the engagement portion, the sliding engagement ramp providing a surface for engaging a sear.

3. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the pivot connection comprises an aperture extending through the body portion.
4. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the rod connection comprises an aperture in the body portion.
5. (original) A trigger as claimed in claim 2 wherein the head portion and the engagement portion each have abutment surfaces for abutting the trigger frame to limit the extent of movement of the trigger within the trigger frame.
6. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the pivot connection and the rod connection are substantially vertically aligned with each other when the trigger is mounted in the trigger frame.
7. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the pivot connection and the rod connection are approximately 0.625 inches apart.
8. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the lever is an elongate, flat arm of sufficient length so that at least two fingers of the user can be wrapped around the arm.
9. (cancelled).

10. (currently amended) A trigger as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 2 wherein the distance between the pivot connection and the engagement portion is configured so that the firing mechanism will be initiated when the trigger has been pulled a predetermined distance.

11. (previously amended) A trigger frame for receiving a pivotally mounted trigger therein, the trigger frame comprising:

- a body having a cavity therein for receiving at least a portion of the trigger;

- a handle connected to the body;

- a trigger guard on the body, the trigger guard and body defining a space with which a portion of the cavity is in communication;

- a connection member on the body for securing a trigger in the cavity and space so that the trigger is pivotally movable;

- the trigger having a back and an engagement portion extending from the back of the trigger;

- a slot member on the body to provide access from the outside of the trigger frame to a rod connection on the trigger;

- abutment surfaces within the cavity to limit the range of movement of the trigger when located in the body.

12. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 11 wherein the connection member comprises apertures and a pivot pin by means of which the trigger is pivotally connected to the body, a portion of the trigger being located in the cavity and another portion of the trigger extending from the cavity into the space defined by the trigger guard.

13. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 11 wherein the slot member is an elongate horizontal slot positioned substantially over, and in a vertical plane with, the connection member.

14. (previously amended) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 13 wherein the horizontal slot is dimensioned so as to be of just sufficient length to expose to the outside of the body the rod connection in all positions along its movement of travel when the trigger is pivoted in the body.

15. (cancelled).

16. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 11 wherein the connection member and the slot member are positioned approximately 0.625 inches from each other.

17. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 11 further comprising a sear connection member for pivotally mounting a sear within the cavity, the connection member for securing the trigger and the sear connection member being spaced from each other so that the trigger and sear are able to engage each other during firing.

18. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 11 further comprising a safety catch, the safety catch being positioned on the body and with respect to the cavity so as to releasably engage the sear.

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19. (original) A trigger frame as claimed in claim 18 wherein the safety catch comprises at least one aperture in the body, and a catch member movably mounted within the aperture and extending through the cavity, the catch member being movable between a lock position where it prevents movement of the sear, and an unlocked position where it permits movement of the sear.

20. (cancelled).

21. (cancelled).

22. (cancelled).

23. (cancelled).